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Very Cold Weather.

This week passed has been a very cold one, in fact it was upon the whole, the coldest December on record in all parts of the country as well as in Powell county. While it has been at below zero nearly every morning for a week it was coldest Sunday morning when it was 20 degrees below zero, and was 10 below at 10 o'clock. This record is hard to beat several hundred miles further up north, while we have had plenty of fuel in Clay City of the kind—mine run—slack coal, other places have been very short of the highly-prized block lumps, and the dust even.

No More White Flour.

The nice white biscuits we now have been having since we were a boy is to soon be a thing of the past upon an order of the Government. More of the feed is to be put into the flour which will make it a great deal darker but much better we are told. 74 per cent of the wheat berry is now to be put into the flour instead of about 60 per cent as formerly. The price of flour will remain the same, but feed will drop \$10 per ton. Feed is now very scarce and hard to get at the high price, but, nevertheless, what you can get in the future will be at the lower price.

Easter---Watts.

Dr. Albert Easter, of this city, and Mrs. Mary Watts, of Clark county, were married at the home of John W. Ballard in Winchester, Friday, December 28, Elder M. P. Lowery officiating. It is the third marriage of the bride and the second venture of the groom. They have returned and settled down to keeping house at the home of the groom near this city. They are receiving hearty congratulations of their many friends.

For the New Year.

We welcome the new year 1918, and hope to see the old county of Powell with at least a few miles of improved roads before the last figure in the calendar year is changed, and that "Peace on Earth and Good Will to Man," will be fully and happily restored before another Christmas.

Joe Mountz Injured.

While unloading some oil machinery at Stanton Friday Joe Mountz, of this city, secured a dislocated leg by some of the machinery falling on him when a rope that was supporting it broke. Mr. Mountz will be confined in his home for several days.

Buys Business In Winchester.

H. G. Crabtree, of this city, and Courtney Taylor, of Winchester, have formed a partnership and entered the automobile business at Winchester. They have purchased the Commercial Garage in that city and will take possession at once.

Lost in The Mail

Howard H. Harrison, County Agent, mailed us a very valuable letter for publication this week but we failed to get it. We regret this as we are always anxious to publish these letters for they really mean much to our farmers.

Dies in Kansas City.

William F. Clark, 3623 Forest Avenue, a coal and feed dealer, died Sunday night at the South Side Hospital. He was 73 years old, and had lived in Kansas City thirty-one years. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mattie Clark; and five sons, W. J. Clark, Oklahoma City; E. R. Clark and D. R. Clark of 4637 Forest Avenue; H. T. Clark, 4041 Flora Avenue, and W. D. Clark, 4001 Independence Avenue. Funeral services will be at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Armour Memorial Chapel. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.—Kansas City Paper.

Mr. Clark is a native of this county, an old Confederate veteran, and a brother to Geo. W. Clark, of Vaughn's Mill, and Jas. F. Clark, of Shelbyville.

Breaks Through Ice.

Edmund Searles broke through the ice while skating on Kentucky river near Heidelberg recently, and was in the water fifteen minutes before aid could be gotten to him. While in the water he got very cold and cut up both hands pretty badly scrambling in an endeavor to get out. He experienced no bad after effects from his chilly bath. Young Searles is a son of L. W. Searles, manager of the Pearsite Company, and has many friends in Clay City where he formerly lived.

No Sunday Mail Lately.

The fact that we are getting no mail any longer on Sunday is taken as official notification that this service is permanently discontinued. If the object is tending to national economy, or if it is to provide a means for one more individual to "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" we heartily concur in the action, and that Clay City people can well afford to be without mail on Sundays for either of these just reasons.

Red Cross Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wright, of Hardwick's Creek, gave a Red Cross dinner at their hospitable home Thursday, December 27. Quite a number of friends were present and enjoyed the bountiful and diversified repast very much. They all departed with many kind wishes for the good people who prepared the dinner, and for the Red Cross movement.

Killing in Mt. Sterling.

Henry M. Ringo, one of Mt. Sterling's fine young men, was killed instantly in his place of business Wednesday December 26th, by Porter Eubank, a deputy United States Marshal, who had gone into Ringo's restaurant for sandwiches. Ringo was city clerk and a splendid business man. He was a cousin to John P. Ringo of this city.

Declares Usual Dividend.

That sterling institution, the Clay City National Bank has declared their usual semi annual dividend of 4 per cent., making 8 per cent. per annum. Fortunate indeed is that person who has even a few shares of stock in this sturdy institution.

From this date we hope to get the paper to our subscribers promptly on time.

Volume Twenty-Three.

This is the first issue of the Times for the new year. It is also the beginning of a new volume for this paper which has rounded out twenty-two years of existence. As we now remember our first issue and how warmly the unpretentious sheet was then received, and how loyally it has since been supported by the best people of the county, we feel that our efforts have been of some value to them as well as entertaining. We hope this is true, but leave it for our readers to determine.

We have ever upheld through these columns that which we believed to be right, and condemned that which we thought was wrong, and we did it from principle, and not as a mere matter of policy. This has made us both friends and enemies, and made us satisfied in the performance of a duty we felt we owed our readers.

We expect to continue the publication of this paper along the same lines, and trust that the same happy relations between subscribers and paper may continue to exist as heretofore. With this end in view, we invite a continuation of the highly prized support of our subscribers.

Family of Recruits.

Abner Wiseman, of Irvine, has four sons now in training at Montgomery, Ala. They volunteered soon after the conflict was brought on. These boys are all single. He has three other sons married in the draft age, willing and ready to go, but for their families. Mr. Wiseman also has four little fellows too small to go yet, making in all eleven sons.

Mr. Wiseman is well known in Powell county where he has many friends. He prides himself in the manner in which his boys have displayed their patriotism.

Clay City Masons Banquet.

The Masonic Lodge after the regular election and installation of officers were had Thursday night the 27, gave a banquet which was carried out with a delightful entertainment. All present pronounced the affair the best of the kind ever given by any of the Lodges of the city. All departed with a joyous recollection for this annual event which was conceded to eclipse all previous efforts of this fraternity in Clay City.

John W. Elkin Dead.

Mr. John W. Elkin died at his home near Irvine, Wednesday night January 2 from complication of diseases, aged seventy years. He leaves a wife and seven children one of them being Mrs. J. E. Niblack, of this city. For several years Mr. Elkin was a resident of this city and Spout Spring. For the past ten years he has been living in Estill county where he served one term as Jailor of the county.

New Treasurer for Powell

E. H. Fuller who was elected County Treasurer for four years last April, resigned that position, having moved to Lexington recently and has been succeeded by O. C. Atkinson, Cashier of the Powell County Deposit Bank.

STANTON.

(By P. O. Derthick.)

20 below zero Sunday morning.

Mr. Sheffield is quite sick at this writing.

Dr. Barnett has had a new roof put on his house.

Mrs. Bennett and Miss Abbott shopped in Winchester last week.

Mrs. Frank Harmon was shopping in Clay City last Saturday.

James Chaney made a business trip to Winchester a few days ago.

Charley Spencer, of Winchester, was here on legal business Monday.

Mrs. Taylor, the nurse for Mrs. J. Kelly Giffen, has returned to her home in Ohio.

Mr. Norton, the dentist of Furnace, was here Tuesday of this week on business.

Albert Powell, of Camp Taylor, visited home folks on Hatcher's Creek this past week.

Larkin Stamper is building another side room to his store to make room for more goods.

Miss Mabel Ewen spent the holidays with home folks and returned to Columbia Monday of this week.

M. F. Benningfield, of Rosslyn made us a visit and transacted business here Monday of this week.

Mrs. Rose, the mother of Mrs. Sis Hall, is very sick at this writing and is hardly expected to recover.

Miss Delora White is spending the vacation with home folks at Primrose and is expected back to school.

Mrs. Ernest Lloyd, and children, of Lexington, arrived Monday to visit their aunt, Mrs. Rose, who is very sick.

Miss Catherine Baker, of Vance, in Breathitt county, is visiting her many friends and relatives this week.

Everett Randall, of Camp Taylor, is visiting home folks on Hatcher's Creek this week and will return Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ware and family, of Winchester, visited with Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Boone during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thacker, and baby, of Bowen, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Boone, this past week.

We notice by the papers that Albert Easter, of Powells Valley, and Mr. Mary Watts, of Clark county were married this past week.

Mrs. Creasy, of Bowen, was here to see Dr. Caywood, the dentist, this past week. She reports her daughter, Sally is in Midway school.

Mrs. Robert Conlee spent the Christmas holidays with her folks at Hazel Green. Her sister, who is teaching the Pompeii school, accompanied her.

Mrs. S. K. Baird and daughter, of Gordonton, and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Triplett, of Consul, Saskatchewan, Canada, are visiting their father, J. W. Williams.

Miss Nannet M. Nabb returned to Middletown, Ohio, after

Masons Elect Officers.

The Powell Lodge No. 562 F. & A. M. elected officers December 27 as follows:

Dr. W. C. Martin, Master;
Edward Rose, S. W.;
W. T. McGuire, J. W.;
Gran Hackworth, Secretary;
A. P. Johnson, Treasurer;
Jas. G. Rogers, S. D.;
Frank P. Newell, J. D.;
H. G. Crabtree, Tyler;
B. M. McPherson and H. B. Walters, Stewards.

Filson Lodge No. 686, F. & A. M. elected at their anniversary on the 27 the following officers:

Robt. Dennis, Master;
Bill Lunsford, S. W.;
John H. Trim, J. W.;
Roy Scott, Secretary;
Grant See, Treasurer;
Daniel Townsend, Tyler.

The Estill Masonic Lodge at Spout Spring elected the following officers:

L. B. McIntosh, Master;
R. L. Tipton, Sr. W.;
Pete Mountz, Jr. W.;
Herbert McIntosh, Secretary;
Albert Crow, Treasurer;
Joe McKinney, Tyler;
Asa Todd, Sr. D;
Luther Martin, Jr. D.

spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Bettie Johnson. She was accompanied by her brother.

Larkin Stamper has bought the place where Bill Scott lived, and Mrs. Scott has gone to her brother Mr. Anderson to live. Mr. Stamper will fix it up for his son to live in.

While Rev. J. Kelly Giffen was in Ohio he persuaded Guy Farrier to return to Stanton and look after keeping the students warm at the college, and he will be here the 2nd. of this month to take charge.

Miss Margaret Mansfield, accompanied by Mammie Derickson, left Monday to visit her aunt, Mrs. Mollie Woodward Morris at Covington. Mammie will shop in Cincinnati before returning home.

Arthur Chaney, with his wife and family, have returned from a weeks visit to his wife's people at Quicksand. Her brother, George Gross, returned with them and he will probably enter school here.

Charley Jackson and wife, of Cincinnati, are here, having arrived Monday night. They have come to take care of his mother who is sick. Charley was married about two months ago to Miss Perl Cooper of Cincinnati.

Pink Welch was accidentally shot with a shot gun by Duret Ewen, the shot going in at the pit. It is a very serious wound but Mr. Welch will recover it is said. It appears that Duret was cleaning the gun when it was accidentally discharged.

Sebastian Centers, from Camp Taylor, and his brother, Kelly, from Dayton, Ohio, visited with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Centers, during Christmas. They have both returned. Kelly was accompanied by his sister, Mrs. James Arthur.

Grandpa and Grandma Hard-

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